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SUBJ: MUJIB'S RESPONSE TO PRESIDENT FORD'S MESSAGE

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1. DURING CONVERSATION WITH PRESIDENT MUJIBUR RAHMAN AT HIS TEA LAST EVENING FOR CHIEFS OF DIPLOMATIC MISSIONS, I TOLD HIM OF PRESIDENT FORD'S MESSAGE RECEIVED EARLIER IN THE DAY CONGRATULATING HIM ON HIS ACCESSION TO THE PRESIDENCY. MUJIB ASKED ME TO THANK THE PRESIDENT FOR HIS MESSAGE AND SAID HE RECALLED WITH PLEASURE HIS MEETING WITH HIM IN WASHINGTON. HE ASKED ME TO ASSURE THE PRESIDENT THAT BANGLADESH'S POLICIES WOULD NOT CHANGE UNDER THE NEW SYSTEM. WHAT THEY WERE AFTER, HE SAID, WAS GREATER EFFICIENCY OF ADMINISTRATION TO HELP BANGLADESH'S ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

2. MUJIB WENT ON TO EXPRESS HIS GRATITUDE FOR PAST AMERICAN ASSISTANCE AND FOR OUR CONTINUING FOOD AID, ADDING THE HOPE THAT HE WOULD BE SPARED FURTHER NATURAL CALAMITIES FOR A WHILE. HE SAID THAT HE HAD ALSO FOUND IT USEFUL TO BE ABLE TO MEET WITH AID ADMINISTRATOR PARKER DURING HIS RECENT VISIT TO DACCA.

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